

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

THOMAS MANIS,  
Plaintiff,

v.

Docket No. 1:24-cv-262  
JURY DEMAND

STATE OF TENNESSEE et al.;  
Defendants.

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**JOINT STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL OF CERTAIN PARTIES ONLY**

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Come now the parties, by and through counsel, and file this joint stipulation of dismissal of certain parties with prejudice. Specifically, the parties jointly stipulate the following:

The State of Tennessee is not a “person” under Tennessee state law subject to causes of action under Section 1983.

Therefore, the parties stipulate pursuant to *Federal Rule of Civil Procedure* 41(a)(1) that the State of Tennessee should be dismissed with prejudice effective immediately upon the filing of this stipulation.

The parties further jointly stipulate that Plaintiff’s claims against Trooper Frank William “Billy” Yates-Matoy and Trooper Riley Shreiner in **their individual capacities** are unaffected by this stipulation.

Finally, the parties stipulate that each party shall bear its own court costs, discretionary costs and attorney’s fees associated with this stipulation.

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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/s/ H. Franklin Chancey

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